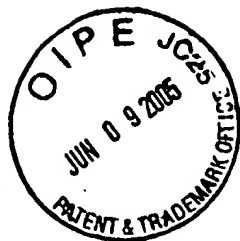


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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

SEIICHI TENPAKU ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/678,544

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For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
SYNTHESIZING SPEECH

Art Unit: 2654

Examiner: LERNER, Martin

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 10, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

One-month extension of time or other fees are believed to be due. However, any extension of time necessary to prevent abandonment is hereby requested, and any fee necessary for consideration of this response is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account Number 50-1390.

Amendments to the Claims: reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks: begin on page 8 of this paper.